FIFTH GRADERS taught by Mrs. Brauns-Abbitt at the Appomattox County Elementary School experienced an exciting, fun way of learning. Studying "How Our Nation Began," they studied about the Revolutionary War. One activity for this study was to recite the famous speech of Patrick Henry. Some students used music on tapes, brought pictures and encyclopedias and some even made their own speeches about the war, but most dressed up as in colonial times. As you can see this was of course a fun way of learning. Shown from left are Chuck Wilkerson, Susan Linkous, Celeste Haskins, and Daniel Slagle (dressed for the speech).

Farmville gets industry

Huyck Felt, a division of the Huyck Corporation of Rensselaer, New York, has announced its purchase of the Uniroyal Building in Farmville, Virginia to serve as a new manufacturing location according to company officials and the Virginia Division of Industrial Development.

Edwin G. Sielewicz, President of Huyck Felt, indicated that the company would produce fabric belts for use in the paper making industry at the Farmville facility. Huyck Felt is one of the leading suppliers of paper making fabric in the world.

The 125,000 square foot building formerly occupied by Uniroyal was closed in December, 1980. Farmville development officials, some of whom had visited Huyck's similar operation in Albeville, Alabama, were extremely pleased that the facility would be placed back in production in 1982. Employment is expected to reach 20 to 30 this year with as many as 100 to 125 jobs expected when full production is reached in 1983.

The Huyck Corporation is a subsidiary of the BTR Paper Group, Inc. of Wake Forest, North Carolina. Financing for the company's $10 million capital investment was provided in part by an issue of industrial development revenue bonds by the Farmville Area Industrial Development Authority.

Mr. Sielewicz and BTR Vice President Lawrence F. Simard indicated that their site selection personnel evaluated a number of states in the East and Mid-west before selecting the Farmville location. They attributed their choice to the availability of a highly qualified existing facility, the plant's central location and proximity to the firms other production activities, and to the receptivity and assistance provided by local officials and the Commonwealth of Virginia.

Huyck Felt was assisted in its location selection by the Farmville Area Industrial Development Authority and the Virginia Division of Industrial Development.

Applications for employment will be handled by the local office of the Virginia Employment Commission. The company is considering utilizing the employment training program of the Industrial-Training Division of the Virginia Community College System.

Vepco sets record

Virginia Electric and Power Company customers last Monday (Jan. 11) established a new one-hour peak demand record for electricity of about 8.860 million kilowatts.

A new all-time record, which occurred between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m., was an increase of 2.6 percent over the previous all-time peak demand of 8.638 million kilowatts established June 16, 1981.

Monday's peak was also 4.8 percent higher than the last winter peak demand for electricity of 8.451 million kilowatts set Jan. 13, 1981.

Extremely cold weather throughout the eastern portion of the nation caused the record demand for electricity. Average temperatures in the Vepco service territory were about 25 degrees fahrenheit below normal yesterday. Also, record low temperatures were set today in many locations throughout the Vepco system.

Electricity supplies are extremely tight throughout the Vepco system and among neighboring utilities. No problems are anticipated in meeting customer demand for electricity at this time.

Housing's fate may lie with 1982 Congress

The coming 1982 session of Congress "may decide whether this nation remains one of the best housed in the world," Jack T. Cosby, President of American Federal Savings said today.

Cosby, named this week to the Legislative Committee of the United States League of Savings Associations, said that in recent years decisions in Washington "have pushed housing farther and farther down the line as a national priority."

In 1982, he said two million American families will need new homes and three million others will want to "move or move up." But the outlook unless policies change, is for only 1.2 million new homes to be built and less than 1.5 million existing homes to be financed, he added.

"Unless the Administration can get interest rates down, the totals may be less than that," Cosby emphasized.

Cosby said that the U. S. League will seek Congressional action this year to allow savings associations to lend and invest profitably in varied economic conditions.

Some new powers are proposed in bills now before the House and Senate he said, particularly in comprehensive legislation sponsored by Senator Jake Garn (R-Utah), Chairman of the Senate Banking Committee.

The U. S. League, which represents over 4,000 savings and loan associations nationwide, is urging that any Congressional action safeguard the home finance opportunities steadily built up through American history, the local leader said. "Savings and loan associations have played a key role in this endeavor," he added.

Some bills before Congress would allow commercial banks to take over savings and loan associations on a routine basis. "That could result in vacuuming funds out of local communities into the big money centers -- and if that happens, local housing opportunities would follow the money right out of town," he added.

Last year, he said, Congress aided the home finance system by passing the All Savers Act, which provides a new type of tax-free savings account that has brought new funds into savings and loans -- funds which will help the housing recovery. Congress also authorized Individual Retirement Accounts (IRAs) for all Americans -- even those with company-sponsored pension plans.

"However," he said, "the promise of relief to our institutions through lower-cost funds from All Savers has been undermined, and perhaps nullified by actions of Federal banking regulators.

"The bank regulators have abused the confidence that Congress placed in it to conduct an orderly phase-out of interest rate ceilings over six years," he said, adding that he hopes that this year's Congressional session will act to "rein in" the DIDC and prevent new actions until there has been a real and long-term decline in interest rates.

Traffic deaths down

Although it won't be confirmed until February 1, it could well be that fewer persons lost their lives in motor vehicle crashes on Virginia's highways during 1981 than in any year since 1963.

Current State Police tabulations show that 1,011 persons were killed on the State's highways during the past year compared to 1,045 in 1980, 1,014 in 1979 and 989 in 1963. However, final figures will also include any deaths which eventually result from a motor vehicle crash and occur within 30 days of the crash.

Funds may be withheld

Several thousand absent parents responsible for Virginia children receiving Aid to Dependent Children may find their federal income tax refunds withheld this year, according to the Virginia Department of Welfare.

Under a new federal program enacted by Congress, state agencies administering the Child Support Enforcement program submitted to IRS a list of absent parents seriously delinquent in paying child support and whose children are or were being supported by welfare payments. These parents' federal tax refunds, if they are entitled to refunds, will be intercepted and forwarded to the state in which their children are receiving public financial assistance.

"In most cases, the acutal money received from a tax refund may not fully satisfy the debt," said Jean White, Support Enforcement Director for the Virginia Department of Welfare. "However, with the help of the IRS, we are able to locate and talk with many parents we have been unable to trace otherwise."

The Division of Support Enforcement in the Department of Welfare has recently attempted to contact by mail some 6400 parents who have been certified to IRS as owing a debt to the state. These parents have the opportunity to correct any errors in records or to make satisfactory arrangements to pay overdue support. Tax refunds will be released once the Support Enforcement Division has established satisfactory support arrangements with the parents.

For the past two years, the Virginia Department of Taxation has cooperated with the Department of Welfare, intercepting state tax refunds. The IRS connection now extends this help nationwide.

The State Department of Welfare is required by state and federal law to collect past due child support and to establish the parents' continuing financial responsibility for their children who are being supported by public funds.The Department has the authority to garnish wages, attach property, and take other actions to force responsible parents to support their own children.

In 1981, the Support Enforcement Division of the Virginia Department of Welfare collected nearly $9 million from delinquent responsible parents. With increased automation and a new IRS help, the Division expects to collect about $11 million in 1982. This money is used to help pay for the costs of welfare.

Free clinic slated

A heartworm testing clinic will be offered free of charge as a public service on Saturday, January 23, 1982, at Diamond Hill Animal Hospital between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m. The hospital is located at 1400 Main Street, just off the Expressway. No appointment is needed.

Canine heartworm infection is a serious and potentially fatal disease of dogs. As the name implies, the disease is due to the presence of long (6-14 inches) worms in the right side of the heart. These worms impair circulation of the blood, which can result in severe damage to a dog's heart, lungs, liver and kidneys. A great deal of this damage can occur before any outward signs of heartworm disease are noticed by the dog's owner. However, in advanced stages of heartworm disease there may be labored breathing, coughing, lethargy, loss of weight and stamina, and even fainting. If it is not detected and controlled with proper treatments, the disease can lead to congestive heart failure and death.

Heartworm infection is spread to dogs by more than 30 species of mosquitos. Thus dogs that spend a great deal of time outdoors are especially at risk, but even house dogs can seldom be completely protected from mosquitos. Hunting dogs appear to be the most frequently affected dogs in the Lynchburg area.

Dogs are usually tested at this time of the year because it takes at least five months from the time a mosquito infects a dog until the larvae become adult worms in the heart and produce detectable microfilaria (the immature larvae that are seen in the heartworm test).

Most dogs can be successfully treated for heartworms if the disease is detected early. However, prevention is still the best control measure. Prevention is accomplished by administering a tablet or liquid dosage once daily throughout the mosquito season and continuing for two months after the season ends. It is most important that a dog be tested and found to be free of heartworms before beginning a prevention program, since a severe or even fatal reaction may occur from giving preventive medicine to a heartworm-positive dog.

For more information about heartworms or the free clinic call 845-1242.

PTA to meet

The Appomattox Primary School PTA will meet on Thursday, January 21 at 7 p.m. This meeting will feature a Physical Education demonstration by students led by Physical Education teacher Jan Jennings and the annual art show.

The meeting will be held in the school cafeteria.

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Miss Susan Rice Cobb

Miss Cobb to marry

Mr. and Mrs. Berlie Franklin Cobb of Cullen, Va. are proud to announce the engagement of their daughter, Susan Rice to David Jarrell Marshall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin H. Marshall of Appomattox, Va.

The wedding is to be held at Spring Creek Baptist Church on April 24, 1982 at 7:00 p.m. All friends and relatives are invited to attend.

Society News

OFFICERS FOR 1982 installed at the Dec. 8 meeting of Monroe Masonic Lodge No. 301, A.F.&A.M., were (front from left) Herbert M. Chambers, senior warden; Donald Ray Pulliam, worshipful master; John C. Harris, junior warden; (second row, from left) L. Ray Hudson, senior deacon; C. Max Franklin, secretary; C. S. Booth, treasurer; J. Tommy Ford, junior deacon; (third row, from left) Samuel B. Doss, senior steward; Robert M. Morris, junior steward; W. Dean Conner, Chaplain; and George S. Williams, tiler.

Club to meet

The Appomattox Garden Club will meet on Monday, January 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall at St. Anne's Episcopal Church.

Miss Karen Knapp of Westvaco will present a program entitled "Trees For The Home Garden." The artistic exhibit will be an arrangement using driftwood.

All members are urged to attend and participate in the exhibit.

'Hearts' to meet

The Young Hearts Club will meet on Wednesday, January 27 at 10:30 a.m. at the Memorial United Methodist Church.

In the event of bad weather, the meeting will not be held as scheduled; announcement will be made on WTTX radio in the event of cancellation.

All members are urged to make plans to attend this meeting.

Oakville

Mr. Len Childers is a patient in Lynchburg General Hospital with a broken hip.

Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Covington and Marjorie Mae visited Mr. and Mrs. Jack King Sunday afternoon.

Mrs. Murrell Jordan visited Mr. and Mrs. Garland Burcher Sunday afternoon.

Miss Mary Anne Wheeler and Mrs. Garland Bucher were dinner guest January 6 of Mrs. Overton Moore.

Mr. and Mrs. Mark Covington were dinner guest Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Covington and Marjorie Mae.

Harold Martin remains a patient in Virginia Baptist Hospital. He has undergone several operations in the past month.

Miss Kathy Murray and Walker Covington of Williamsburg were guest last weekend of Mr. and Mrs. Beryl Covington.

David Irby spent Friday night in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Walker Moore.

Mrs. Kate Gunter has returned home from the hospital.

Mrs. Lou Bryant is a patient in Lynchburg General Hospital.

Sorry to hear Mrs. Tom Moore is having trouble with her foot. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Card issuance set

Senior Discount cards will be issued on Wednesday, January 20 at the Farmers National Bank, Triangle Plaza Shopping Center, Appomattox, from 10 a.m. until 12:30 p.m.

Applicants must be 60 years of age or older; bring proof of age and Social Security card.

Chestnut Grove

Bob Bryan and Phillip are attending a Duroc conference in Bowling Green, Kentucky this week.

Mrs. Esther Forbes remains ill in Virginia Baptist Hospital in Lynchburg. Mrs. John Meek of Virginia Beach is spending sometime with her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Bob Mann to be near her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe L. Harris are the proud grandparents of their first grandchild. A son was born Tuesday, Jan. 5 to Mr. and Mrs. Russell Smith at Williamsburg. Mrs. Harris is spending a few days with them.

Kathi Morris celebrated her birthday Saturday with a supper at her home, given by Mr. and Mrs. Roger Morris. Those present were Richard Wooten of Arvonia, Christ Hardiman of Dillwyn and Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Morris of Appomattox.

Mr. and Mrs. Johnny M. Harris and boys were invited to a taco supper Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Don Morris.

Several were absent from church Sunday due to sickness.

Mrs. Jayne Speck and daughter of Dumfries were recent visitors in the home of Mr. and Mrs. K. M. Beasley, Jr.

Tonya Jones of Richmond visited in the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cook Monday enroute to Lynchburg.

Jordan News

God be merciful unto us, and bless us; and cause his face to shine upon us; that thy way may be known upon earth, thy saving health among all nations. Psalm 67:1-2

Regular preaching services will be held Sunday at 11:00 a.m.

The Young Adult Choir will sponsor a talent program on the 1st Sunday in February at 3:00 p.m. A delightful program has been planned and the public is invited to attend.

On the 3rd Sunday in February, Feb. 21, the Heavenly Gospel Singers will be here at 3:00 p.m. This program is being sponsored by the Gospel Harmonettes and the public is invited to attend.

Our sympathy goes out to the Lamberth family at the death of Bro. Curtis Lambert.

Promise Land

"Blessed is he that considereth the poor; the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble. "Psalm 41:1.

The Promise Land Usher's Board will be having a meeting on Thursday, Jan. 21, at 7:00 p.m. All members are asked to attend and any persons wishing to join please come out.

We have had record-breaking cold weather and lots of snow. Let us not forget about persons living alone, and elderly persons. Check from time to time to make sure they are doing all right and that they have enough food and fuel.

Let us not forget regular preaching service Sunday, January 24, at 11:00 a.m. and Sunday School at 10:00 a.m.

Thomas on Dean's List

Lowell E. Thomas, III, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lowell Thomas, Jr. of Rt. 2, Concord, has been named to the Fall semester's Dean's List at Liberty Baptist College. In order to be placed on the Dean's List, a student must maintain at least a 3.5 grade point average out of a possible 4.0.

LBC is a four-year liberal arts college with an enrollment of approximately 3,500 students. Of the 495 named to the Dean's List, Lowell maintained a 4.0 average of all A's.

PTA meeting is rescheduled

The Pamplin Elementary School PTA meeting originally set for Tuesday evening, January 19 has been rescheduled for Monday evening, January 25 at 7:30.

All members are urged to make plans to attend.

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Three convicted on fraud

Three Appomattox County residents have recently been found guilty of food stamp fraud, according to the local Department of Social Services.

Yvette Ferguson was found guilty in general district court on Aug. 26, 1981, on misdemeanor charges, failure to report a change in household circumstances, according to the Department of Social Services.

She was given six months, suspended on good behaviour, and made to pay restitution for an overissuance of $54.

Bernard Carpenter was found guilty on a felony charge in circuit court on Dec. 8, 1981. He was convicted of failure to report a change in household circumstances, and of giving false information during a food stamp interview, which resulted in overissuance of food stamps, according to the Department of Social Services.

His sentence was two years in the state penetentiary, suspended on good behaviour, and five years probation. He also must pay restitution of $820 within one year.

Peggy Powell was found guilty of a misdemeanor in general district court on Dec. 16, 1981. She was convicted of using food stamps to buy food for another person in order to receive money, and received six months, with five months suspended on good behaviour, according to the Department of Social Services.

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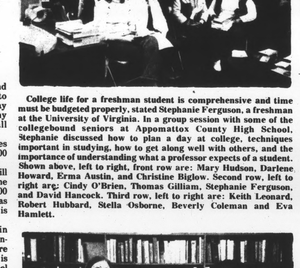

College life for a freshman student is comprehensive and time must be budgeted properly, stated Stephanie Ferguson, a freshman at the University of Virginia. In a group session with some of the collegebound seniors at Appomattox County High School, Stephanie discussed how to plan a day at college, techniques important in studying, how to get along well with others, and the importance of understanding what a professor expects of a student. Shown above, left to right, front row are: Mary Hudson, Darlene Howard, Erma Austin, and Christine Bigbee. Second row, left to right are: Cindy O'Brien, Thomas Gilliam, Stephanie Ferguson, and David Hancock. Third row, left to right are: Keith Leonard, Robert Hubbard, Stella Osborne, Beverly Coleman and Eva Hamlett.

APPOMATTOX COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL collegebound seniors were presented information relative to types of financial aid and how to apply. Parents were in attendance at the session held on Tuesday morning, January 12, 1982. Shown above from left to right are the presenters: Ms. Anita Hogan, assistant director of Financial Aid at Lynchburg College; Ms. Brantley Townes, Director of Financial Aid at Randolph-Macon Woman's College; and Hugh Scrogham, Director of Financial Aid at Lynchburg College.

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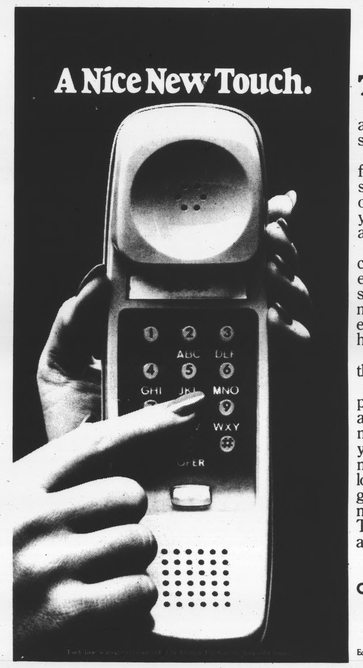

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